GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:270
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2002
CONCESSIONAL FARE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether concessional fares for disabled persons in the railways is misused;

(b) if so, the steps the railways propose to prevent the same;

(c) whether some beneficiaries travel many a times so as to avail the travel pass; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to review all such concessions in the public interest?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NITISH KUMAR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 270 BY PROF. UMMARE VENKATESWARLU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 21.3.2002 REGARDING CONCESSIONAL FARE.

(a) to (c): The concession to disabled persons is generally not misused. However, some rare stray cases of misuse were reported on some Zonal Railways. The concessional tickets are issued in accordance with the rules, which have been so framed that the chances of misuse of concession are quite minimum. This includes provision of photograph and address of concerned disabled person and name and registration number of Doctor on the certificate. Suitable action is taken against the defaulters whenever misuse is reported.

(d): Review of various types of concessions is a continuous process.